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Men's Master in Hawaii, James Sutherland, Larry Phillips [Larry Mae's son], and Jack Karbens. See article on the Hawaii Games on page 12.



MacIan

Participation, Involvement, and Membership—Time to Be Counted

MacIan got to peek at the president's musings on page 3 and decided it was time to talk with you again about your society. Being counted in or counted out is an important aspect of any membership that you maintain. You may be a member whose participation is reading *An Canach* every three months—keep in mind that type of membership has the obligation of renewing your membership on time. You may have joined for access to our genealogical database. That requires not only submitting your pedigree to Horace and a cursory review of our current holding, but also submitting updates over the years and waiting for others to submit their pedigrees and that all important link you have been waiting for. [Someone, somewhere has to have Joseph Barton Henderson as an ancestor and knows who his parents were. Ed.]

You may have joined because you wanted to learn more about your Scottish ancestry. You could go back to college or you could read *An Canach*, take a clan trip to Scotland, or you could attend gatherings around the country and rub elbows with others seeking the same touch with their

heritage. Go for it, we'll see you there—or maybe not. It takes a member to convene each event, to gather the clan, and to pass on Henderson hospitality, ancestry, and knowledge.

President Rex has been crossing America meeting Hendersons at gatherings. They were lucky he was there, telling them about Henderson heritage, talking about things Scottish while learning about things Scottish, and being a gracious host at the Games. In many cases, he took the opportunity to ask individuals to take his place at the next year's event. As result of a six-week trip to gather the clan, a dozen events will be convened once again next year.

There are opportunities from leading to participating. Please take the time this year to contact your commissioner or Rex to learn what role you can handle in your society.

MacIan thinks that we are on a roll and that many hands make the job easier. The ultimate goal is a Henderson tent at every event; a convenor, a bodyguard, pipers, fiddlers, dancers, genealogists, and all of our cousins becoming a big family—a clan.

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The "Circle?"
It is a "Round To It!"

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President's Message

by Rex A. Maddox



I've been away—out there to see our cousins and to find a few volunteers who will help us to find other cousins who didn't know the Hendersons were a Scottish clan! You just don't know how many times I've heard people say, "I didn't know the Hendersons were a Scottish clan," since I joined you as a clan member and even more often after becoming an officer of the clan (Head of the Bodyguard, Commissioner and President) and attended Scottish/Celtic events throughout our great country and Canada. One thing I've learned, though, is that there are often, among those who "didn't know," volunteers who are willing to set up the tent, talk with their cousins, and find more volunteers. We've got a great family and I'm really proud to be one of its members!

My most recent trip took me to the Ancient Festival of Beltane, Th' Gatherin', in Kansas; the Games at Kiowa, Colorado; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Costa Mesa, California; and Arlington, Texas. I'll be making another journey west in July, going to Portland, Oregon; Enumclaw, Washington (our AGM); Spokane, Washington; Denver, Colorado for the event at Highlands Ranch and Triad, North Carolina.

Our Chieftain for North America, David Henderson, his wife, Loulie; our Chaplain, Fred Sanford and his wife, Peggy; my wife, Pat, and I will attend the International Gathering of Clans in Halifax, Nova Scotia in early July. We will meet with numerous other clan chiefs, chieftains and officers of Scottish organizations from around the world and attend several events while there. One of the highlights of our trip will be attending the Tattoo, recognized as

the finest in the Western Hemisphere. We will also meet with other Henderson cousins and have a "Henderson Day" on Sunday with a boat ride around

Finding convenors for Northern and Southern California, Kansas, and New Mexico made the trip remarkably productive.

Halifax harbor and dinner.

We are looking for another Commissioner—Larry Mae Phillips, the South Pacific Region's Commissioner for many years has had to resign for family reasons. I have written to our members in California and Nevada looking for a replacement, but have yet to get any favorable responses for that position. We have, however, been fortunate in that one member living the Bay Area near San Francisco has agreed to convene several of the events which occur each year in that part of California. Another cousin has stepped forward and may be able to convene other events in the central part of the state. We will continue to search for the person who is willing to manage the region which comprises not only California and Nevada, but also Hawaii. If you are the cousin who thinks time is available to help us keep the Henderson name before the public in this area, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the other Clan Society officers!

You will find, in another part of this publication, the result of our Awards Committee's deliberations for Youth Scholarships. We have many fine young people who can qualify for these awards and want

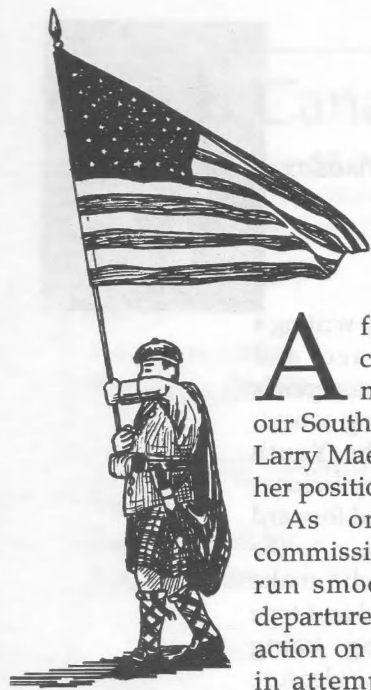
each of them to apply, by writing a letter giving their age and accomplishments, to their region's commissioner, requesting consideration for one of the Youth Scholarships. The commissioner reviews each request and forward it with a recommendation to the Awards Committee who make selections based on need and type of schooling/training being requested. I will have the pleasure of sending each selected individual a certificate announcing their selection as a recipient of one of our Youth Scholarship awards and will include a check for the amount specified to support each award in the program. We also have one Youth Scholarship award which is based upon a contribution by an individual and this award will receive special recognition. Be sure to look for the article concerning these awards and, should you have the opportunity, tell these young people how proud you are of their activities.

Be sure to look for the Henderson tent when you attend your next Scottish/Celtic event and remember—it's your 'home' at the games. Drop in and sign the register to let us know you were there and perhaps get that Clan badge you've been meaning to put on your balmoral. There are also baseball caps (golf caps to those so inclined) with the Clan badge emblem already on them—only \$6 and cheap at that price! If you've got a new kilt and are looking for a good looking kilt pin, these—are also available at the tent.

Check the events page of this newsletter to find those games or festivals that I will be attending—I'd like to see and meet you! We're all part of the Henderson family.

New California Conveners Named

by Rex A. Maddox



After many years of convening the clan members in California, our South Pacific Commissioner, Larry Mae Phillips, has resigned her position.

As one of the earliest commissioners, her region has run smoothly; therefore, her departure required some quick action on the part of our officers in attempting to cover those events which would normally take place this summer and fall. Letters were sent out to all active and inactive members of the Society in an effort to locate a person from amongst our cousins in California, Nevada and Hawaii

who would be willing to assume the responsibility for managing the region.

Responding to our urgent need from the Bay Area was **Suzanne Henderson Emerson**.

Cousin Suzanne has agreed to set up the Henderson tent at several of the events located near her residence and has already initiated action for a Clan spot at the Pleasanton and Monterey games. There are several other events located in the Bay Area and Suzanne is considering the possibility of setting up the Society's tent at those festivals and games as well.

Suzanne's stepping forward to help us in placing the name of Henderson before the public is most commendable and her efforts are greatly appreciated by all of her cousins.

Joe Henderson of Long Beach, California, has agreed to become the Southern California convener and will be doing the Ventura event as well as San Diego (Vista), Loch Prado, Queen Mary and Orange County (the last two next year).

He will be assisted by Bob Henderson of Santa Ana and Alexandrina Gibbons of Sylmar—both new members as of the Costa Mesa event.

Enumclaw, the AGM and the Ceilidh

All ---

One month to go before we meet at Enumclaw! If you will be there, please send your reservation and check to Dean Henderson right away as we must let the caterer know our estimate for attendance as soon as possible.

It'll be a good dinner and I am sure you'll appreciate the entertainment as our own talent is extensive and even tho we have Bob DeNiro and Robin Williams and Billy Crystal and Jody Foster (she of the two white napkins) invited, there may not be enough room at the table for all who want to see this extravaganza! We're dickering with the Wicked Tinkers just now—they're tough and I may have to pull out a couple of old friends to influence them (you know—like Joe Pesci and my friend, Mel)!!

Remember—don't wait—waiting means sitting in the hallway! Checks to Dean Henderson, 7217 West Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

Yours, Aye ---

Rex

North Pacific Region Changes Leadership

All ---

This message is to announce the resignation of Dixie Henderson-Newby as the commissioner of the North Pacific Region and appointment of her successor.

Dixie has had to resign for personal reasons and we hate to see her go as she has been a veritable spark plug for the region. She will be sorely missed.

The new commissioner for this region will be Dean Henderson of Mercer Island, Washington. Dean is a retired financial advisor and lives on the island with his wife, Pamela Jane. He assumes responsibility for management of the North Pacific region effective 1 July.

We welcome Dean and look forward to a long and successful relationship.

For those of you attending the AGM—who have not made their reservations and sent in money for the Banquet/Ceilidh—please send the info and check to Dean right away.

Yours, Aye ---

Rex

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Kevin Henderson, Champion

by Lori Henderson

Kevin Henderson of Valley Falls, Kansas, has been competing in the Scottish Highland Athletic Games since the autumn 1996. He competes in a class of athletes that have to weigh under 190 pounds and, recently, the master's class which are those competitors at least forty years of age. During the past seven years he has won thirty-eight games including two-time World Master's Champion 40-49 years under 200 pounds. Even more impressive is that in 2002 he was fourth in the world for all Masters 40-44 years despite their weight.

Two walls in our bedroom displaying overall awards are a constant reminder of the daily training Kevin undertakes whether it be lifting weights or throwing implements in the back four acres (we let the cows have the other 148). Because of his hard work he has received hundreds of medals and awards such as swords, silver goblet, bowls, wooden plaques, Highland figurines and the latest being a personalized "super-bowl" style ring [made by Jostens] for his recent World Master's Championship in Springfield, Illinois on 17 May 2003. He is presently being featured as the Man of the Month on the Scottish Masters Website, www.scottishmasters.org.

At the Kansas City, Kansas Games, 14 June 2003, which draws 10,000 fans at the one day game, he became the under 190 pound National



The under 190 pounds Nationals in KC in June, Kevin is fourth from the right.

Champion. He defeated thirteen other athletes in his class from Colorado, Kansas, Arizona, Missouri, Iowa and Oklahoma. He achieved two personal bests by throwing the 16# hammer over 98' and the 28# weight a distance 63' 7.25". The crowd roared as the 'little guy' in the Henderson tartan kilt threw the 17'X100# caber for two perfect 12:00's. Kevin has been the leading force in keeping this special weight class of the Highland Games alive since it's inception, so as to provide competitiveness for Scottish athletes who normally



would not have a chance against a fellow athlete twice their size.

He and I travel to many states each year such as Utah, Arizona,

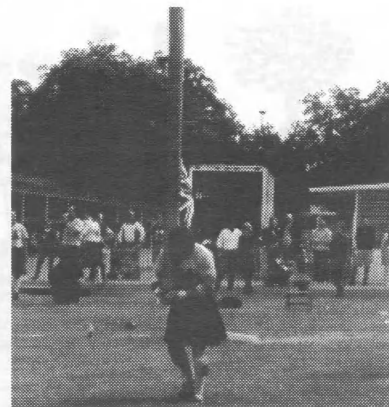
land Gathering during our two week journey. Along the way we have made many friends with whom we reacquaint ourselves at each game.

When we attend the Highlands Ranch Games south of Denver and the Longs Peak Games at Estes Park we always get to see our friends Buzz and Linda McEldowney, the SW Regional commissioner. They always take an active part in our stay there whether watching Kevin throw or providing us a refuge in their clan tent. Kevin competes in the modern Henderson tartan and has been recognized by many Hendersons over the years who always come back to watch him.

Recently, we met President Rex Maddox, who helped convince Kevin's father, Bob Henderson to convene the Henderson Clan Tent in Kansas. He made his first debut in Kansas City on 14 June and will be at the McPherson Games in September. So, if you ever want to see this 45 year old, 5'9", barely making weight in action; come to Kansas and anywhere in between.

Colorado, California, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Illinois, and will add South Dakota to the list this year.

In 1999, we took our daughters to Scotland where Kevin threw in the Strathardle High-





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"son of Henry"

Note from Clan Genealogist: Jerry is my "Scottish Desk." He can be reached at mcclendon@nfis.com or at 2603 Chestnut Grove, Sharpsburg, MD 21782.

Horace

Martha Hamilton: Scots-Irish Emigrant Ancestor

by Brummett Jerald McClendon

In the Fall 2001 edition of *An Canach*, I tied the four brothers William, John, James and Samuel to the main line Fordell Hendersons in Scotland. This article provides new information about Martha Hamilton, the wife of James, and some implications of the four "Augusta Boys" dates and path to Augusta County, Virginia. I will show Martha immigrated to America in 1733 and married James in 1738 in Augusta County. I will also trace her ancestors from Augusta to Ireland and then to Scotland.

I have learned that Martha Hamilton came to America in 1733 on the ship "Hope" from Belfast to, probably, Philadelphia. I first found the following on the internet:

On Ship Passenger List, Ship "Hope", Master Robert Coatham. Owner, Cowes shipping line, London and Copenhagen, on the date of April 29, 1733. Last from Belfast. Archibald Henry Hamilton, with his wife Frances; sister Martha, age 17; brother, Andrew age 24; and Andrew's wife, Martha Kinkead Hamilton, age 21. All were residents of Ards, County Down, Ulster, Ireland.

The source of the information is the Hamilton National Genealogical Society, Inc. I contacted Lawrence Hamilton, their President, and he said the cited source in their files was: Immigrant List of Ships Passengers, Out-Going Book 10,

page 302. Sailed on ship "Hope" Master Robert Coatham. Owner, Cowes Shipping line, London and Copenhagen on the date 29 April 1733. Last from Belfast.

We already know from the Miller book that James Henderson and Martha Hamilton were married on June 23, 1738.¹ Since Martha was in America by 1733, the marriage was in America, not Scotland or even Ireland. Other evidence below will suggest the marriage was likely in Augusta County, Virginia.

Martha Hamilton came to America with two brothers Archibald and Andrew. With the help of the Hamilton researchers, I have located a book by Lewin D. McPherson.² It has several key pieces of information on these three children.

1. Archibald came from Ulster, Ireland to Lancaster, PA., in 1733. (p. 133)
2. On the same ship with Archibald and wife Frances Calhoun were his brother Andrew and his wife, and their sister Martha Hamilton. (p. 133)
3. Archibald, Andrew and Martha Hamilton were the children of Audley Harrison Hamilton and wife Eleanor Adams. (p. 133) The Miller book also has the same parents.³
4. It names the nine children of Martha, "who married James Henderson in Augusta County, Virginia June 23,

1738" (p. 134)

5. The oldest son of Archibald Hamilton and Frances Calhoun was named Audley, which was Archibald's father's name. (p. 134)
6. The three children migrated together from Ulster, Ireland, in 1733, to Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania and settled in Augusta Co., Virginia in about 1735. (p. 136)
7. Referring to James Henderson who married Martha Hamilton: "A detailed account of him and six brothers emigrating from Scotland to Augusta County, Virginia is preserved." (p. 207) I would love to know where he got this statement! Both the "six" and "Scotland" are in question. As far as we know, James had only four brothers.^{4,5} One brother Bruce died at age 9 in Scotland/Northern Ireland and the other three came to Augusta County. In the 1740s, there are eight Hendersons who baptized their children at Tinkling Springs or Augusta Stone Presbyterian Churches.⁶ The Bushman Survey⁷ lists 10 Hendersons in early Augusta County. It is not clear the relationship of these 10 Hendersons. I suspect they are related, but I doubt if even six are brothers.

In a book by Jennings Wise⁸ the following: "Along with John Lewis, or soon after his first settlement in Augusta, came two

brothers from Pennsylvania, Archibald and Andrew Hamilton." It is known that Lewis came to Augusta in about 1732 and certainly before 1734.⁹

It is clear that Martha Hamilton was in Augusta County, Virginia about 1735, but certainly before 1738. Therefore, her marriage to James Henderson was almost certainly in Augusta. There are no records until the 1740s, so we will never have absolute proof. There were itinerate preachers that would have been in Augusta County in 1738 that could have performed the ceremony.¹⁰

Since Martha was age 17 when she came to America in April 1733, it is clear that she was born between April 1715 and April 1716. At age 17 she was living on the Ards Peninsula, County Down, Northern Ireland. Her parents and several generations before were part of the "Plantations" of Scottish Protestants. Orphus Hamilton,¹¹ a Hamilton family genealogist, said it this way in 1965: "Hamilton's who migrated to the Colonial States of America were mostly of pure 'Scottish Stock.' Their sojourn to the Irish Isle was only a 'stepping stone' on their way to this country. There were as many as four generations, or perhaps five who lived and reared their families in part of the 'Old Isle' which constituted the 'Great Plantation' " This is the correct definition of "Scotch-Irish." Our Martha was clearly Scots-Irish.

Martha's 3rd great grandfather was Claude Hamilton, Baron of Paisley in the late 16th century Scotland. His father was James, 2nd Earl of Arran, Scotland.¹² From Encyclopedia Britannica, James' grandfather was 'Lord Hamilton' who married Mary Stewart, the daughter of James II, King of Scotland.¹³ From this point we get as ancestors a number of generations of the Hamiltons of Radzow, Robert "The Bruce" King of Scotland (Martha's 12th great grandfather), William "The Conqueror" King of England, Charlemagne, and other Kings

and nobility in many countries back to 500 AD. Martha's husband James Henderson also ties to these same lines through his 3rd great grandmother Jean Murray.

Martha and James bought land in Beverley Manor, Augusta County.¹⁴ William Beverley purchased the 118,491 acres in 1736 that became known as Beverley Manor.¹⁵ A few settlers already lived on the land and others moved in without first purchasing from Beverley. But they needed each other and the claims were settled peacefully and mutually agreed upon. Beverley was convinced that he could get a number of people from Pennsylvania to come to his land. He was not disappointed. They came in numbers from the beginning and also interested others of Scottish ancestry from Pennsylvania and Ireland. Beverley Manor became known as the "Irish Tract," which was primarily settled by the "Scots-Irish" from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.¹⁶ Martha certainly was Scots-Irish and James was either a direct descendant from Scotland or also Scots-Irish, arriving from Northern Ireland. It is clear that James' arrival in Augusta was between 1734 and 1737 and his arrival in America sometime after 1725, when he turned 18. He might also have passed through Lancaster County.

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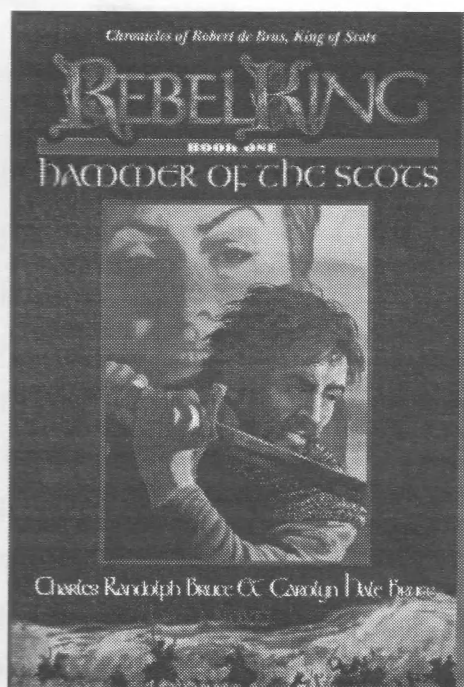
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The Brave Heart Continues

Ahead of the Hangman Press proudly announces the publication of *Rebel King (Book One) Hammer of the Scots*, a work of historical fiction by Charles Randolph Bruce and Carolyn Hale Bruce. The novel is the first of a series of four the authors have planned about the struggles of Robert de Brus, the Scottish nobleman who went to war against 14th Century Europe's most powerful army to reclaim the throne of his ancestors.

After deposing Scotland's King John de Balliol and having William Wallace executed for treason in August 1305, as depicted in the Mel Gibson movie *Braveheart*, Edward I of England moved to eliminate the strongest claimants to the Scottish crown, Robert de Brus, and his family. *Hammer of the Scots* is the story of that epic clash of wills.

The handsome and courageous earl of Carrick and Lord of Annandale, Robert de Brus, and his brothers, Scottish knights Edward, Alexander, Thomas, and Nigel; Robert's beautiful and spirited wife, Elizabeth de Burgh; his roguish nephew, Thomas Randolph; Edward, King of England, the "Hammer of the Scots" who would enslave the kingdom; the debauched

Aymer de Valance, earl of Pembroke; Robert Wishart, patriot Bishop of Glasgow; Andrew Stewart, Robert's young squire; Isabel McDuff, the countess who gave all to crown a king; Neil Campbell; Christopher Seaton; Robert Boyd; James "The Black" Douglas, who pledges to follow Robert unto death and beyond; the wealthy and entrancing Christina of the Isles; the Macdonald brothers, Donald and Angus Og, smugglers and traders throughout the islands; and dozens of other, equally fascinating characters bring the Scots' struggle for freedom to these pages.

About ten years ago, designer and illustrator Randolph Bruce first had the inspiration to write about the "The Bruce" because of tales claiming descent from the Scottish king told him as a boy by his late grandfather. Years passed before the actual writing was started, and that as a screenplay, rather than a novel. The release of the film *Braveheart* spurred him to proceed with his own effort, but it evolved into a novel, the story being too complex to tell fully in a movie-length script.

Carolyn, experienced as an advertising copywriter and author of two previously published pictorial histories on her hometown of Roanoke, Virginia, volunteered to help with editing and some rewriting, and again the effort morphed, becoming a cooperatively told saga of one people's great struggle to be free.

In *Hammer of the Scots*, the pair's first effort at writing fiction has produced an ancient story retold in modern form by writers sympathetic, without being overly so, to the Scots. One reader opined, "... I don't know where you got your information from but it has a real sense of being there."

Readers with intense personal combat experience have commented that the battle scenes described in the book read as authentic. In the words of a former SEAL team platoon commander with multiple combat tours in Vietnam, "I found I was reliving the actions and emotions of my past while reading the vivid battle scenes."

About the book as entertainment a reader commented, "You're hooked from the first, the pace is intense with no lulls. It has everything in it that you would want in a novel. My wife and I

laughed and we cried a great book." And one Scot descendant said, "... I loved it. It gave me chills. I read it four times. I felt like I was reading a screenplay... it puts you right into the action. I saw *Braveheart* fourteen times and as a movie, this could knock the socks off *Braveheart*."

Published by a newly formed publishing company, Bruce & Bruce, Inc., *Hammer of the Scots* is its first title under the imprint Ahead of the Hangman Press. The imprint gets its name from a tradition in Randolph's family that his Bruce ancestors arrived in America after fleeing Scotland "one step ahead of the hangman," having fought in one of the Scots' rebellions, perhaps "the '45."

Asked why they chose to found a new publishing house, the couple responded, "Often, when we sent out our manuscript to agents and publishers, we saw that *Hammer of the Scots* was returned without being opened, even though the mailing had been targeted specifically to agents and publishers of historical fiction or books of Scottish interest. We figured, if they were too busy even to open their mail it must be a good business to get into."

Rebel King (Book One) Hammer of the Scots is available in hard back at suggested retail price of \$28.95 and paper back of \$19.95, plus any applicable shipping costs and sales taxes. Further details, ordering instructions, and a free "pre-book chapter" not included in the printed volume are all available on the Internet at www.Robert-de-Bruce.com

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Ed Note: I have had this article for several months, but waited to share it with you until I had the time to read the novel—it was a good read. I enjoyed the history, the action, the interaction of the clans. It is a story worth your read.

Should you go on the Web to buy a copy, please use code HEND when submitting your order.

Loch Norman Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

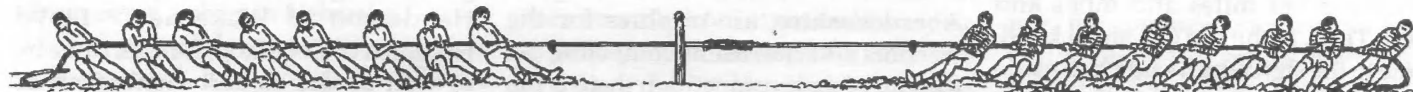
By "Red Rex" Redmon, Clan Bard

I vividly remember the fall of 1991 when the call went out to help plan, organize, and implement a new Highland Games in the Charlotte, North Carolina, area. It was answered by many loyal Scots and in April 1994 the first Loch Norman Highland Games and Scottish Festival was held with approximately sixty clan tents set up around the athletic and exhibition field.

South East Region Commissioner and Convenor Harry Keefer and his wife Suzanne had Clan Henderson in the running again this year for the best clan tent award. Alas, Clan Henderson finished a respectable third. "Just wait until next year," said Suzanne, who promises she has learned the secret ingredient that will make a first place finish next year.

Activities in our tent were brisk

died in the last two years. With the Loch Norman Pipe Band in the lead and marching to the tune of Scotland The brave, loyal members of Clan Henderson were piped to the cairn where the Clan Henderson bodyguard led by Steve Carter, Head of the Bodyguard, stood at attention. Games chaplain, Jeff Lowrance, read a brief memorial for the Henderson couple. After the reading, both Mac and Dee Dee



During the second weekend of this past April, over one hundred clans answered the call on Friday night and the Tenth Annual Loch Norman Highland Games and Scottish Festival got under way. Our own David Henderson represented Clan Henderson. With the Catawba Valley being the home of many Henderson patriots prior to the war for independence, Clan Henderson claimed bragging rights and Cousin Mack Henderson staked out the games as our own. Mack organized the Parade of Tartans Sunday morning, a responsibility Mac has performed well for eight years.

and busy both Saturday and Sunday. President Rex Maddox and wife Pat were on hand to welcome the many visitors. Dee Dee Henderson, sister of Mack Henderson, our host, provided us with an array of wonderful food both days. Pat and Suzanne, with help from others in the Clan tent, were kept busy answering questions for COSCA seekers.

Clan Henderson again hosted the inaugurating of new clan tartans. A tradition at the Loch Norman Games, it is a proud Clan Henderson original activity suggested by Mack Henderson six years ago. The corners of more than thirty new kilts were dipped into shot glasses of Scotland's own nectar of the morning. Afterward, the new kilts were blessed for the good of Scots everywhere by the games chaplain, The Reverend Jeff Lowrance. The traditional Henderson salute and toast was offered by the downing of the remaining nectar.

The highlight of the weekend was the laying of a stone at the games cairn in the memory of Mack and Dee Dee's parents who

placed the stone as the band played *Flowers of The Forest* and *Amazing Grace*. It was a fine tribute to two special people.

We had over thirty Clan Henderson members sign the guest register and three new members joined. In addition to President Rex and appointed officers Steve Carter and myself, Clan Chaplain Fred Sanford of Statesville, North Carolina, and Clan Historian and Archivist, Beth Gay, were in attendance.

Until we convene at the next Scottish event, to all Clan Henderson members everywhere
Yours Aye!





Games, Festivals, and Gatherings



Th' Gatherin'

By Rex A. Maddox

I thought the road to Cedar Bluff State Park, thirteen miles off the Interstate, would never end. It seemed like miles and miles and miles of nothing but miles and miles and miles! Then, at the top of a small knoll, I came to the sign which said I had made the right turn and was at the entrance to *Th' Gatherin'*.

Let me regress for a moment in order to let you know some of the background for my being in the western part of Kansas and attending the Ancient Festival of Beltane, *Th' Gatherin'*. I had established an itinerary for the year in which I intended to set up the Henderson tent at several events west of the Mississippi in hopes of contacting some Henderson cousin who would be willing to convene at least one of the events. While preparing for the trip, I decided to search the internet for a possible event I could attend while on my way to Colorado and the Highland Games in Kiowa. I came across this event which fell into my schedule, so I made contact with the principal organizer, James Cleland of Wakeeney. Upon speaking with him, Jim immediately invited me to attend and offered information on lodging and other details concerning his *Gatherin'* which is held in the old Glen Coe Township on the shores of Cedar Bluff Lake. This area had been named Glen Coe by the original Scottish settlers (including some Hendersons) because of its likeness to the original place in Scotland.

Th' Gatherin' is not like any highland games you've ever attended! It is mainly a celebration of the "light part

of the year" (the coming of the summer solstice, an ancient Pict celebration) in which teams of athletes (called clan warriors) are selected based upon their weight (i.e., teams in excess of 800# and teams under 800#) or age group and sex (yes, ladies and young women compete also). Individuals are scored to accrue points for awards and teams are awarded trophies as well. This year the organizers had obtained some stones from the river Esk, which flows in Aberdeenshire, as trophies for the warriors and clan teams competing. At the end of their competition there is the running of the "fiery cross" in which the warriors are offered the opportunity to grab and run one of two fiery celtic crosses through the other warriors and down to the beach front. It's something like a gauntlet with each of the competing warriors trying to take the cross from their compatriots—it does get rather hectic.

After the competitions and running of the fiery cross, there is a huge banquet in the warrior tent at which no more than 500 can attend. This gathering of people is when the trophies (rocks from the Esk) are awarded to the winners of the clan and individual warrior events. We should all be proud that one of our cousins, Kevin Henderson of Valley Falls, Kansas, won the best individual award for the fifth year. His team of clan competitors was also named the winners of that event, but a later recount by the judges changed that ruling.

Following the banquet, at which all ate their barbecue beef and pork ribs and chicken and turkey legs from a large loaf of bread which had been 'scooped' to form a sort of bowl, there was a fireworks display and magnificent lighting of a large stack of logs, using twelve pounds of black powder as the fuse! It seemed as if an ancient supreme being was causing the fire to run along the beach and up to the bonfire stack

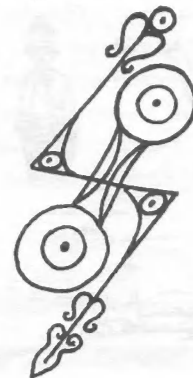
where over forty thousand firecrackers had been set in the wood to cause a spectacular site and the lighting! It was amazing!

Sunday concluded the event with a non-denominational church service held in a pavilion on the beach. I had set up our tent for both days of the event and was fortunate signing as new members not only Richard Henderson of Hays, Kansas, but also Jim Cleland's granddaughter, Shaelyn Marie Henderson of Wakeeney. Lloyd Holbrook of Goodland, Kansas, came by to visit as did Robert Henderson of Wakarusa, Kansas.

Bob Henderson decided he will become the Henderson State Convenor for Kansas and convene the games in Kansas City, McPherson, and *Gatherin'* next year. It's volunteers like Bob who make our membership grow—his being at the events held in Kansas will bring more new cousins into the fold and we will be grateful for his involvement.

You, too, can help by spending a Saturday or weekend talking with your cousins at Scottish/Celtic events near your home. Our regional commissioners will see to it that you are supported with equipment and information on how we set up the tent and greet the people.

Please contact your commissioner and speak with him or her about volunteering—thanks!





Colorado in May— Anything Can Happen with the Weather!

By Rex A. Maddox

And it did!! Saturday morning, when I started from my hotel in Colorado Springs, the weather was really nice—sunny and with only a few wispy clouds floating around it was actually warm. As I drove the fifty-two miles from the hotel toward Kiowa, I reached a point about half way known as the “Palmer Ridge”. It was here that I found out how fickle Colorado weather can really be! I ran into a solid wall of snowlike I remember from being a child in Nebraska.

As I slowed down, to ensure I didn’t put my truck into a ditch, I realized I was maneuvering through a full fledged blizzard! Fortunately, this heavy weather only lasted for a short distance, but I did notice there was at least a half foot of snow all over the fields and roadway (Denver got nine inches) and I felt very lucky to have gotten through the heaviest part of the storm.

I was on my way to the Saturday morning gathering at Kiowa, Colorado noted for not having the finest of weather for its annual event. I was very glad that the event organizers had decided the day before to move all Clans inside fairground buildings because of the possibility of bad weather. There were at least three inches of the white stuff on the ground when I pulled up to the building where I had been assigned at setup the previous day. I was really happy to be inside!

Of course, Saturday’s crowd of interested families didn’t materialize and the day was spent talking with other Clans present and meeting some of our Henderson cousins who were there. I talked with Paulette Dunlap Gain, a member of our Clan for many years and whom I had seen previously when I attended a couple of years ago. Weede Nichols, a retired Army Warrant Officer and member of the Clan MacLeod, showed up from Hays, Kansas with his wife, Rosalie and their son’s family who

live in the town of Elizabeth, about seven miles from Kiowa. Weeden joined us as a Clan Society member because his mother had been a Henderson. We also talked with Melody Skaggs whose husband is on duty as an Administrative Specialist with the USAF at our embassy in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia—we hope to have that family as members soon. John Bergquist, our clan piper, was present, with his wife, Nancy and stayed for both days of the event, playing with members of the El Jebel Shrine Pipe Band of Denver and the massed bands. Sandy Hall of Colorado Springs was also there on Saturday and it was good to see and talk with her.

Sunday’s weather was much nicer and the crowd that showed up made our presence at the event even more worthwhile. We had quite a few people stop by the tent to get information on their possible Scottish ties and I was able to help some of them with a reference to a Clan. Kelsey Henderson Parker of Aurora, Colorado, was there with her daughter, a premier class Highland dancer who had taken several trophies the previous day. Shari Gillette and her daughter, Hannah dropped by the tent and we talked about membership in the Society. They are from Denver and are members of the organizing committee which sponsors this event. Her husband, Neil, has overall responsibility for the bands and ceremonies which involve the bands—Neil is also a piper and entertained the assembled group at the Kirkin’ on Sunday morning.

Our commissioner for this region, Buzz McEldowney, had wanted to attend this event but is a fireman in Aurora and had the duty on Saturday and a planned family gathering to honor his mother on Sunday. I was not able to get a convener for this event next year, but imagine Buzz will be able to have someone there. Perhaps the weather on Saturday will be better than this year!

The Celtic Festival at Albuquerque

By Rex A. Maddox

This gathering is known as the Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games. Certainly a long title for an event that doesn’t seem to gather many interested

people—although I did have an opportunity to find some Hendersons in the small crowd that did attend. There were, naturally, lots of Hispanic and Indian families present and some of them actually were found to have some Scots in their ancestry. I had hung out the COSCA flag, which is normal when doing these events, and there was quite a bit of interest by folks who wanted to find out if they had a Scottish heritage.

I didn’t have much of a chance to leave the tent although Robert Hindman, a member of the Society for several years, did come by the tent and offer to take over for a while so I could get something to eat. Robert had been a convener of this event some years ago, but had not been available for a while. He has, however, volunteered this event and the one later on in the year, also in Albuquerque. I’m sure Buzz McEldowney, the commissioner for this region, will be happy to hear this news and give Robert all the support he needs.

Another old friend of the Society, Marvin Henderson, came by the tent and renewed his membership. Marvin has a son, Martin, who lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Martin has also been a society member for several years.

We met Edith Henderson and Jey Starke, both of Albuquerque Society. I neglected to find out Edith’s occupation but Jey is an instructor in hot air balloon piloting. Jey expressed an interest in getting into a Henderson kilt and was especially interested in the Australian modern wool tartan we have for our Clan members. (There remains only enough of this exquisite material for two more kilts, so don’t hesitate if you’ve been giving some thought to having a Henderson kilt made!)

There had been about two dozen Clans expected to attend this event, but several failed to set up their tents. I was pleased to have the Hepburn Family Association set up next to my tent. They and the McBain/McBeans on the other side, made for a friendly group. I can especially be thankful for the McBean faction as they kept me well supplied with water and tea to ward off any possible dehydration. We expect to be seeing each other again later in the year at the Highlands Ranch Games in Denver in August. Oh, yes, just to keep

the night, the weather was
brilliant (but not hot), with
a really very nice!

South Pacific Region
Larry Mae Phillips
Commissioner



22nd Annual Hawaiian Scottish Festival 2003

by Jackie Phillips

We had a wonderful time again at the Hawaiian Scottish Festival. The Festival is held at Kalipoli Park, between the zoo and Waikiki Beach with Diamond Head as a back drop. The price is perfect, free. It seemed a little quieter this year than last, with not so many people traveling. To me Hawaii always seems the right place to go, and this year's trip was no exception.

Saturday we setup the clan table and started looking for Scotch eggs. The Women's Open Amateur Heavy Athletic Events went on most the day. While they had lunch it was time for the Housewife Games. I was hoping to get that Mango wood rolling pin, but, alas, the trophy was not to be mine. Maybe next year.

Saturday evening the Hawaiian Scottish Association presented a concert starring the Molly's Revenge Celtic Music Band—very high energy. The band is based in Santa Cruz, California.

Sunday to our pleasant surprise we found Clan Sinclair at the table next to us. Dan Sinclair is a member of one of two pipe and drum bands in the State of Hawaii. I felt very fortunate to be piped to most the day, on a set of pipes he made.

This is the first year there was a Kilted Mile Race. The Men's Open Amateur Heavy Athletic Events went on most the day and this is the first year they had a Masters competition. Larry Lee Phillips of Clan Henderson is the 1st Master Champion in the Scottish Heavy Athletic Events in Hawaii.

After all the music, dancing, and Scottish events of the day, we decided to go for a dip in the ocean. At the Marriot on Sunday night they have Hawaii's most talented traditional style Slack-key, Ukulele, jam session. We of course wore our kilts and they sang

"Roamin' in the Gloamin'" to us with a "Hoot, Mon" added in. We were also treated to some talented locals doing the hula.

Over the years we have met some wonderful friends in our Aloha State, and it keeps calling us back. Maybe we'll see you there.

A hui hou (until we meet again).

The 71st Highland Games in Costa Mesa

By Rex A. Maddox

I journeyed to southern California and the Costa Mesa event hoping to find a cousin who would be willing to set up our tent at some of the events that take place there. This event offered a good possibility as the Clan had not been represented on Clan row for at least five and possibly six years. I was very pleased with the number of "Sons of Henry" who showed up and even more so at the eagerness of most of those present to join with us as members in the Society.

We gained ten new families on Saturday and Sunday, with an additional two former members renewing their membership. Additionally, Joe Henderson of Long Beach, a member for some years, agreed to help us keep the Henderson name before the public by becoming our southern California convener. Joe will be setting up the tent during the remainder of this year at the San Diego, Loch Prado and Ventura games. Next year he will attend the Queen Mary and Orange County events. We are very fortunate in having cousins like Joe who are willing to give of their time and efforts in support of our objective to increase membership. Joe will receive assistance in setting up and manning the tent from new members Robert (Bob) Henderson of Santa Ana and Alexandrina Gibbons of Sylmar.

Other Henderson cousins who joined us for one or both of the days of this festival and became members of the Society included: Carolyn Henderson of Long Beach, Harold C. Jordan of Burbank, Mitchell Henderson of Laguna Beach, Frank Henderson of Mission Viejo, George Henderson of Escondido, G. Scott Henderson of Simi Valley, James Henderson of Huntington Beach

and Elizabeth Sheilman visiting from Great Neck, New York. Cousin Alan Henderson of Van Nuys renewed his membership and spent some time with us in the tent. We had many other visitors, most Henderson cousins, who were very interested in the Clan and Society and took membership forms home with them—I expect we will be hearing from most of them.

We had typical beach weather for both days of this event, low clouds and some drizzle on Saturday and cloudy until mid afternoon on Sunday. There were lots of bands attending the 71st Costa Mesa event including the Grade 1 LA Police Pipe Band and several from Grade 2. We heard lots of good piping on both days. I know of only one highland dancer at this event who was representing the Hendersons by wearing the tartan during their performances, Ashley Menard of Northridge. Although not taking any trophies home from this event, Ashley is a novice who has her eyes set on becoming a premier dancer and will undoubtedly take home many awards in the future—attagirl, Ashley! We're glad to have you representing the Clan Henderson Society!

This event was the last of four I attended during this trip to the west and you can read about each in this issue of An Canach. I am very proud of having signed up a total of fifteen new families and having five former members renew their association with the Society. My purpose in making these trips is to ensure we set up our tent at locations where the Hendersons have never been represented before or have not been present for some time. It is not all work, but an opportunity to meet with and enjoy talking to our cousins throughout the land. Later this year I will make another trip west, this one to the Pacific Northwest where I will not only attend several events but also meet with our cousins at the Annual General Meeting in Enumclaw, Washington. I hope you will be able to come out and enjoy the games—perhaps we will have an opportunity to talk together about the Clan, the Society and where we are going.

San Diego County Highland Games at Vista, California

By Joe Henderson

On a typical California June weekend, with overcast skies and a mist filled chilly wind, the 30th Annual San Diego County Highland Games were held on 21-22 June in Vista, California. What made this year's games special was that Clan Henderson was able to be there, after an absence of five years. We couldn't have asked for a better location than the one that was assigned to us on first row of clan tents, just across from the stage where entertainers such as Alex Beaton performed, and where we had a clear view of the athletic events.

Our newest convener, Joe Henderson of Long Beach, set up the tent and represented Clan Henderson during the weekend events. On Saturday, Alexandrina Henderson Gibbons from Sylmar, her husband and grandchildren stopped by and helped with the duties at the tent. On Sunday, our newest member, James Henderson of El Cajon joined Clan Henderson for the first time. In all eighteen Henderson guests stopped by, and took membership information with them. Although it was Joe's first event as a convener, he is looking forward to the Ventura Games in October and the games scheduled for next year.

North Central Region

Alice Henry
Convener



A Sad Day For Minnesota And Its Scottish Community

by Alice L. Henry, FSA Scot

A 31-year old tradition of the Scottish Country Fair and Highland Games, that brings thousands to the Macalester College's Saint Paul campus every year, ended at the close of this year's games, 3 May 2003! The college is no longer willing to finance the \$150,000.00 it costs to host this annual event that brings international competitions of Highland dancing, piping and drumming, and athletic heavy events to the Twin Cities. According to the Vice President of College Advancement, the college faces

a \$2.4 million budget shortfall and would rather spend its money on academic programs, financial aid and faculty salaries. It appears that the college, so named by a benefactor of Scottish heritage, has moved from its Scottish roots in an effort to become a multi-cultural college.

Word of the fair's demise was as plaintive as bagpipes to many longtime participants like Ned and Alice Henry, having served as planners/coordinators/advisors for the past twenty-seven years, and others who looked forward to sharing their Scottish heritage every year. As sad as this news has been to the Scottish community, Scot's spirits soared at this year's games, as evidenced by over 21,000 attendees. Macalester even wound up with a \$10,000 profit.

The games commenced on Friday evening, 2 May 2003, with a single-malt Scotch whisky tasting conducted by Clan Henderson's member Mr. Edwin H. "Ned" Henry. This event grew in the last four years from just thirty interested single-malt whisky enthusiasts to 115 attendees this year! A Celtic music concert by the Ross Sutter Trio followed the whisky tasting at 8 P.M.

On Saturday, 3 May, the opening ceremonies began with the Parade of Tartans lead by three honored guests and their clans—Family of Bruce, Clan Donald, and Clan MacThomas. Following the parade, more than 500 men and women from across the United States and Canada stepped on to Shaw Field providing the spectacular Massed Bands. Throughout the day solo pipers, drummers and pipe bands competed while athletes tested their mettle in the Games of Brawn, and dancers displayed their fancy footwork in the Highland dance championship competitions.

During the closing ceremonies and award presentations, Ned and Alice Henry were presented gifts on behalf of Macalester College for their many years of dedication and service. There was a drawing for two round trip tickets to Scotland with four nights lodging included that was announced as well.

Even though the college will no longer be lending its financial support, the Scottish community is hopeful to hold some sort of a Scottish event in its place. A new committee has been formed and is working diligently to find

sponsorship and a new venue.

Mid East Region
Leon Hicks
Commissioner



Celtic Heritage Festival Ladysmith, VA

by Christian Garin

From my long gone days of Country and Western Music, I remember a song by Kenny Rogers, "The Gambler," something about "knowing when to fold them". Well, I folded all right! The third Celtic Heritage Festival was held 16-18 May 2003 at yet another spot, this time the Antique Market in Ladysmith, Virginia. One thing did not change from the previous years though, the weather.

I had showed up on Friday with the intention of attending the Celidh and Gathering of the Clans, only to find out that it had been cancelled and that hardly anything had been set up all day because of torrential rain.

The next day, Pat Maddox (COSCA) and I set up the tent under steady rain that lasted all day. Many vehicles from vendors and clan representative never made it out by the prescribed time, getting stuck in ankle deep mud. Entertainment was scarce with no main tent or stage, and the only ones who seemed to have fun in the mud were the rugby players.

A few cousins braved the weather and visited the tent, to include, Carolyn Jarretts and family of Mechanicsville, Virginia, Joseph Henderson of Richmond, Virginia, who helped at the tent in the afternoon, Rosemary Henderson Herman, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, who renewed her membership, and Amanda Shumer, of Ruther Glen, Virginia, who joined as our newest member of the day.

Came 5 P.M., with continued drizzle and no changes in the forecast for the next day, I was faced with a tough decision. Accept my neighbor's offer of a ride with my equipment in his 4x4 to my small truck on the parking lot, or stay for the next day. And so for the first time in my "Henderson career," I folded. It took the whole next day, with continuous downpour, to dry things up in my garage. By then, my lungs had

shrunk, I had grown gills, and I was ready to trade my bed for an aquarium.

At the time of this writing, I just received a letter from the organizers indicating that after three years of steady bad weather, they too would fold and that there would be no fourth Celtic Heritage Festival in Central Virginia. And so one more Scottish event in that area has come to a premature death, just when we thought that Ladysmith had replaced the Fredericksburg games of earlier years.

Potomac Scottish Games Leesburg, Virginia 14-15 June 2003

By Christian Garin

Rain, rain, mud and rain! Can we have a game with nice pleasant temperatures and sunshine for a change, or should the storm kit become standard Clan issue for the Mid East region? The field had been soaked all week long with heavy thunder showers or steady rain (actually all six weeks of them), and so it did not take long for the entire compound to be plagued with a serious mud problem. Saturday started hot and muggy, to be followed by heavy thunderstorms and more wet stuff by mid-afternoon.

Once again, we were co-located with the COSCA tent, with their steady flow of visitors. Though we did not maintain such a fast pace in the Henderson tent, we managed to keep busy throughout the day.

President Rex Maddox and son, Michael Maddox, and Commissioner Leon Hicks were at hand staffing the tent and keeping all of us company on both days. Sunday was overcast and dry, but not enough to correct the mud problem, which prevented me from wandering off and enjoying a break and taking advantage of such many helpers on both days.

Many members visited, which I will list below. The list probably misses a few people who did not register their membership number, or did not at the very least indicate that they were members. To those whom I will miss listing, I apologize. It is difficult after two days to remember who's who on the sign-in list. We also had three members renew, and four new members joining our Clan.

Visiting members included Rex Maddox and Michael Maddox; Pat Maddox, Christi and Robert Heston (the COSCA crew); The Snyder family, of Martinsburg, West Virginia; Barbara Pate of Madison, Virginia; Kathleen Henderson, of Silver Spring, Maryland; Ronald and Linda MacDonald, of Edwardsville, Illinois; and Connie Gibas of Richmond, Virginia.

Christi Heston renewed for two years the membership of son Patrick, serving his country somewhere in the world. Sylvia and Thomas Fink, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Eric and Ann White, of Woodbridge, Virginia, also renewed their membership while visiting the tent.

New members included Ernest and Joan Girardin, of Hagerstown, Maryland; Thomas and Angela Touhey, also of Hagerstown, Maryland; Bobby, Cindy and Joshua Hicks, of Leesburg, Virginia; and Elizabeth and John Luvender, of Manassas, Virginia.

Despite the unpredictable weather, (or should I say all too predictable weather?), this was a fun game where hard work by all was rewarded by fun time and the usual camaraderie that we always appreciate when we gather. Special thanks to Michael Maddox for all the help packing the goods and equipment on both days.

Bonnie Brae Scottish Games 7 June 2003

by William Henderson

What can you write about a rainy Scottish Game? The clouds were so heavy the silver lining was several states away. It had just started to sprinkle as we set up on the grounds of the Bonnie Brae School for Boys in Liberty Corner, NJ. Moderate but persistent rain kept the attendance very low although a few die-hard Scots showed up.

We did have time to visit with some of the other clan convenors, had front row seats for the sheep-herding demonstration and heavy athletics (looked more like mud wrestling), and enjoyed short lines for food and other vendors.

Clan Membership Secretary Carol Maley and Greg Schwartz drove from Minersville, PA to help convene. Carol's new kilt and accessories got a good

soaking but still needs a proper kirkin'.

We departed a few hours earlier than usual as the forecast was for worse and worsen and the tow truck operators were busier than the vendors.

Hopefully next year the fields will be dry, the skies sunny, and the attendance abundant.

Clan Piper Report By John R Bergquist



The year's activities here in Colorado started with the Celtic Games held at Kiowa on Saturday and Sunday, 10-11 May. Saturday was cold, damp with snow on the grounds. Most activities were held inside two large buildings at the County Fair Grounds. Clan President Rex Maddox had a nice tent booth set up inside one of the buildings. Massed Bands were held inside with Clan Henderson Piper being the Pipe Major. Sunday turned out to be a beautiful day with lots of sunshine and some activities were held outside. The Henderson booth was very active with quite a few cousins stopping by to visit and sign in.

Saturday, 25 May, the Henderson's started a new tradition as the Clan Piper led the graduating class of the North Ridge High School in Greeley, Colorado. This was the first class to graduate from this school. Sunday, 26 May, I piped for a large memorial service at cemetery in Greeley, Colorado, with over 1,000 in attendance. Both of these were done proudly wearing the Henderson Kilt.

Hope to see a lot of you at the Annual General Meeting in Enumclaw, Washington, on 26 July. Looking forward to meeting the folks from out west.

I'll be at the Highland Games at Highland Ranch in Denver on 9-10 August and at the Scottish Festival in Estes Park on 5-7 September, usually a good outing for the Henderson's as we have taken first place at both venues in years past.

Yours for better piping,

John R. Bergquist
Clan Piper

Clan Henderson Memorabilia

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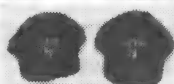
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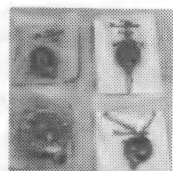
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Decal

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Kilt Pins	\$12.00
Lapel Pins	\$10.00
Badges	\$12.00
Pendants	\$10.00
Clan Tags	\$ 6.00
Tote Bags	\$10.00



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CAP, GRN GOLF	\$6.00	
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DECAL, OUTS.	\$1.50	
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TOTALS		

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Hunting Forebears, Friday, 4 April 2003

by Beth Gay©

This was a column called Hunting Forebears I wrote for The Florida Times-Union in my hometown of Jacksonville, Florida. When Russ wrote asking for something for An Canach, I thought you all might be interested in this little collection of tidbits—only slightly altered from the original column.

For example, did you know that actor Lee Marvin was a 1st cousin, four-times removed of General Robert E. Lee? It's true. Robert E. Lee's grandfather was Lee Marvin's 4th great grandfather. Lee Marvin's 2nd great-grandmother, Ann Matilda Lee and Robert E. Lee were first cousins!

Did you know that the oldest graves are found on the south side of a churchyard? It was the custom to avoid the shadow of the church falling across the graves. It was thought that in the shadows lurked the devil and, as every good man and woman knew, the devil always rode in from the north.

In Victorian times, the extreme north side of the churchyard was reserved for suicides.

Did you know that surnames disappear? It's true. 20% of the surnames used still exist after only 13 generations. Ninety percent of all families from the 1700s are now extinguished.

In 1994, the Social Security Administration had 1,285,556 names on file, of which 448,663 had only one occurrence.

Think about this next time you play cards!

Playing cards are thought to have originated in Hindustan about 800 AD.

During the Middle Ages, jacks, queens and kings (face cards) were named for legendary, historical and Biblical figures.

The proper name for the King of Hearts is Charlemagne, Emperor of Rome and founder of the [Holy] Roman Empire. The King of Spades is David, who slew Goliath. The King of Diamonds represents Julius Caesar.

The Queen of Clubs is Elizabeth I of England. Judith, who the Bible says killed an Assyrian general to save Israel, is The Queen of Hearts. Athena, the Greek goddess of war and wisdom, is the pseudonym for the Queen of Spades. The Queen of Diamonds represents the Biblical Rachel.

La Hire, a French warrior who fought with Joan of Arc, earned the title of Jack of Hearts. The Jack of Spades stands for Hogier, cousin of Charlemagne and a Danish hero. The Jack of Diamonds signifies Sir Hector, a Knight of the Round Table and half-brother of Sir Lancelot. The Jack of Clubs is Sir Lancelot himself, chief knight of King Arthur's Round Table.

The suits in a deck of playing cards represents the four ranks of society in the Middle Ages. Hearts are churchmen and statesmen; spades, the military; diamonds, the merchants; clubs, the peasants and workers.

The earliest playing cards in Europe were those used in Italy during the fourteenth century. During the French Revolution, playing cards were forbidden by law. During this time, the kings, queens and jacks became "sages," "virtues," and "heroes."

Have you read Dr. Bryan Sykes's book *The Seven Sisters of Eve*? I did—and found it so fascinating that I wrote Dr. Sykes and did a few articles on the book for various things.

In the process, Dr. Sykes did

my DNA for me—and, while it doesn't solve any of my own genealogical puzzles—to me it is mind-boggling to know that my own matrilineal line (MacDonald, Phillips, Cannon, Allen, Mackintosh Cone, Stubbs, Stone, Morris, Stilley, etc., etc.) goes all the way back to "Helena" who lived something like 21,000 years ago. Helena saw the last of the Ice Age!

What was especially interesting in my own genealogical "picture" from learning about Helena (Of course, this is not her name—but a name Dr. Sykes gave her from the first letter of the chemical makeup of her DNA.) was the "where" she was.

Helena lived in the area that is today the border between Spain and France in the mountains. Scientists have now discovered that the Celts came from—(Yes!)—what is now the border between Spain and France!

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I have been told there WILL be another Scottish Weekend in Moultrie! Everyone is invited to come next February 13, 14, 15. It's to be *A Celebration of Scottish Music from Then til Almost Now*.

Friday night, 13 February, we will have our Old Fashioned Ceilidh featuring Carl Peterson, Colin Grant-Adams, Smithfield Fair, Bobby Murray, Rixey & MacMillan and Eric Duncan. We will also be honored to have Dr. Pat Talbert with her fiddle and harp! Everyone is invited to participate—so when you come, be sure and bring your favorite party piece!

Saturday there will be programs all day at the library—We'll have a complete program

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soon, but just to let you know how GOOD it's going to be—we'll have a representative from Kilmartin in Scotland to present a program on Ancient Instruments of Scotland; Eric Duncan will present a program yet untitled, but about how the cowboy/western music of America actually came from the Scottish drover's of Scotland; Carl Peterson will have a program for us (And his book will hopefully

be done in time!) on Scottish Music at the Alamo—and LOTS more.

The Centerville Pipes & Drums from Centerville, Georgia will provide us with wonderful piping and drumming!

Arrangements are being made for Dr. Talbert to present a harp concert at our brand new Moultrie Tech auditorium on Saturday afternoon.

We'll have a Scottish Country Dancing Workshop with Bobby Murray on accordion and Nan Currence as instructor.

Saturday evening, we'll have our Gala Banquet and Ceilidh featuring our professional entertainers with Dr. Talbert

presenting dinner music. Yes, we will have our traditional All-You-Care-To-Eat Seafood Buffet!

We'll have door prizes and ceremonies and lots of fun!

Sunday, the weekend concludes with our Kirkin' o' the Tartan at the First Presbyterian Church, followed by a wonderful luncheon.

Watch <http://electric.scotland.com> (when you get there, click on The Family Tree) for early registration forms. If you register early, you'll save a little money!

We are limited to 400 total for the event, so register as soon as you can!

Remember, age is a very high price to pay for maturity!

Two reports from **John Robert Mallernee**, Armed Forces Retirement Home, Washington, D.C. 20317.

Cleaning a Henderson Badge, etc.

When I purchased my Clan Henderson badge at the Celtic Festival and Highland Gathering of Southern Maryland, it had a lot of unsightly black gunk in amongst the lettering.

One of the guys here at the Armed Forces Retirement Home suggested how to clean it, and his advice worked.

The clan badge can be cleaned by scrubbing it with toothpaste and a toothbrush, and rinsed off with water.

The United States Army Birthday

On 14 June 1775, the Continental Congress authorized George Washington to raise a body of troops, and thus, our United States Army had its birth, even before there actually was a United States of America.

Yesterday, Friday the Thirteenth, a small group of us from the Armed Forces Retirement Home, including

myself, were invited to the Pentagon to celebrate the Army's 228th birthday.

Since it was a formal military function, I wore my medals on my coat, and I also donned my Clan Henderson tartan scarf and clan badge, in an attempt to properly represent our clan at an official military function.

It was quite an event, held in the center courtyard of the Pentagon, where we were addressed by the Vice-President, the Secretary of Defense, the acting Secretary of the Army, the acting Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Command Sergeant Major of the Army.

After singing "Happy Birthday" and "The Army Song," a giant decorated cake was cut with an Army sabre by the Army's oldest soldier and the Army's youngest soldier.

We were surrounded by heroes recently returned from Iraq or Afghanistan, some of them wounded or maimed, including General Tommy Franks, and each of whom received standing ovations.

A four-star general pinned a souvenir pin on my lapel, shook

hands with me, and presented me with a commemorative coin.

I had several pictures taken of me with Ronald Young, an Apache pilot shot down and captured in Iraq, as we both belong to The Church of JESUS CHRIST of Latter-day Saints (the "Mormon" church), and both of us served in the First Cavalry Division and were stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

I especially enjoyed seeing the extra security provided by sniper teams on the roof and the Humvees armed with machine guns.

As for the residents from the Armed Forces Retirement Home, we were fussed over and treated like royalty.

All in all, it was a grand day, and an especially momentous event for me personally, as it was my first time officially representing our clan in public.

I think you would have been proud and pleased.

Tapadh leibh agus slainte mhath!



Awards Committee Results

Although disappointed that the number of requests for Youth Scholarship awards was small, the committee met to deliberate these awards as well as the annual awarding of the Order of the Chief medals. One special award was made by the committee based upon the receipt last year of a contribution by Jim Ann Oliver, widow of Estil H. Oliver, who died in August 2001. Mrs. Oliver asked that a youth scholarship be awarded in honor of her educator husband to further the education of a youth in Scottish traditions and skills. Mrs. Oliver noted, in her letter, that she hopes to make this award available annually. The Committee has therefore established the "Estil H. Oliver Memorial Youth Scholarship" that will be awarded (annually) to a deserving young person to further his/her education and excellence in Scottish traditions and skills.

The first award of the "Estil H. Oliver Memorial Youth Scholarship" is made to **Laura Venable** of Piedmont, Oklahoma. An avid participant in the competitions for Highland dancers throughout the Scottish event community, Laura has excelled by receiving numerous trophies and awards as a dancer. She has represented the Clan Henderson Society in a commendable manner and desires to continue with her quest for excellence in the Highland dance. Laura is to be congratulated as the first recipient of this award and for her continuing efforts to excel as a premier dancer.

The award of a Youth Scholarship for music is made to **Jessica Sarai Craig** of Blairsville, Georgia. Jessica, a thirteen-year-old, seventh-grade pupil is home schooled and excels in the playing of several instruments including the flute and piano. She is adamant in her desire to increase her capability as a fiddle player and expects to continue her search for excellence by attending a fiddling school with the monies from this award. Jessica is congratulated on the fine letter of request she wrote in applying for this award and the committee will expect to hear some very fine Scottish fiddle playing when Jessica performs at a Henderson Society function.

Jacob S. Craig IV, a sixteen-year-old, eleventh-grade pupil is also home schooled. He is the recipient of a Youth Scholarship to permit a continued quest to excel as a player of the great highland bagpipes. Currently a grade II piper and member of the Atlanta Pipes and Drums band, Jacob is working to become a grade I piper and intends to attend the North American Academy of piping in Valle Crucis, North Carolina with the proceeds from this scholarship. Jacob's request was accompanied by several letters of commendation and recommendation written by notable members of the piping community. For the third consecutive year, it is with pleasure that the committee awards a Youth Scholarship to Jacob Craig for his continued education in the playing of the great highland bagpipes.

Award of the Order of the Chief medal is made to individuals who have volunteered their services to the Clan Society in many or several areas. Not the least of these and most important when we consider the desire to place the Henderson name before the public is that of our event conveners. The Awards Committee, this year, has decided to recognize those individuals who have given of their time, efforts and monetary resources in the effort to support Clan Society objectives by putting up the tent and placing the banner of Henderson before the public.

Nominated by the commissioner of the Mid East Region, **Christian Garin** has been a convener at the central and southern Virginia area events for the past four years. He has excelled in his presentation of the Clan and Society by adding each season to the articles on display which relate to Scottish and Henderson heritage. Known for his hospitality, Christian has continually offered his visitors at the Henderson tent the finest in lunch offerings, often including gourmet treats. He continually signs up new families and welcomes them into the Clan and the Henderson tent with gusto. The Committee takes great pleasure in awarding the Order of the Chief medal to Christian Garin of Gainesville, Virginia.

Thomas C. Henderson of Paris, Michigan, convener for the state of Michigan, was nominated by Commissioner Douglas Henderson of the Great Lakes Region. Tom began representing the Hendersons at events in Michigan five years ago and has

been very successful in expanding the number of events by finding volunteers to assume the responsibility for setting up the Henderson tent at Michigan's events. His congeniality has been responsible for the expansion of the Society's membership in Michigan and he continually strives to increase the size of his area of responsibility. His expertise at woodworking is evident by the additions of Henderson memorabilia he has produced for display in the tent. The committee takes great pleasure in awarding the Order of the Chief to Thomas C. Henderson, Michigan State Convenor.

Kenneth Thiry, Jr., Commissioner for the Far South Region, nominated **Dick and Sue Hoffman**, convenors in Texas, to be recipients of the Order of the Chief. The Hoffmans have been convening in Texas for the past several years and also have attended several of the events in Oklahoma to assist in manning the tent for those convenors. Their tent is always well organized and offers Henderson members a feeling of home and welcome. The displays they have produced are excellent in representing the Clan Henderson heritage and the offerings available from the Clan quartermaster. They undertook the responsibility of holding the Society's 2001 Annual General Meeting which was a huge success and continually volunteer to help in other areas. For their convening efforts, time of involvement and monetary commitment, the committee takes great pleasure in awarding the Order of the Chief to Richard and Susan Hoffman of Grand Prairie, Texas.



From the Chaplain

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The theme for this article may be very familiar to some readers, but not familiar at all for others. In fact, my curiosity was aroused this past spring about how many readers of An Canach are aware of an event known as Kirkin' o' the Tartans. If you are regular attenders of the many Highland Games across the nation and world you certainly have read about or even attended a Sunday morning worship service—during which various clan representatives bring to the service their tartan banners to be displayed, and even recognized in prayer.

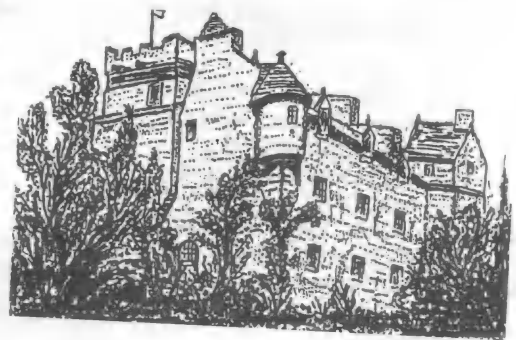
A unique relationship developed over the years between clan identity and religion in Scotland, whether of the history of Roman Catholicism or the Protestant Church (or Kirk) of Scotland. A popular legend seems to exist that after the Battle of Culloden, when the British Crown banned the wearing of tartan colors, those who continued to support the Stuart (Jacobite) cause would secretly bring these colors into the churches to be blessed by the clergy. Now, since the Stuarts were generally Roman Catholic (from Celtic Ireland to the Western Scottish Islands) the clergy were priests who had no problem offering a spiritual blessing upon these colors. The ministers of the Church of Scotland, however (also known as Covenanters), in the Eastern Highlands and the Lowlands could not bring themselves to "bless" the tartans since they believed that only people, not inanimate objects, could receive a blessing. Yet, all Scots honored the colors of Scottish independence and even military ambition, and in time the display of the tartans joined all the other elements of Scottish Highland heritage which spread throughout the world.

But now it appears that the term "Kirkin' o' the Tartans" comes not from Scotland but from a special celebration in the United States begun in 1941 by a Scottish immigrant, the Rev. Dr. Peter Marshall. As a Presbyterian minister he eventually was invited to hold the position as Chaplain to the U.S. Senate, and many

people (including myself) were introduced to attractive elements of Scottish heritage by the published sermons and legacy of Dr. Marshall. He successfully impressed the leaders of the nation in those years to admire the contribution of Scottish Presbyterianism to American democracy, but also to gain U.S. support for the Allied cause (of which his homeland, the U.K. was a part) against the regime of Nazi Germany.

So, a "Kirkin' o' the Tartans" can now be seen as a Christian worship service where Scottish tartan colors are presented and recognized before God—or even as a part of a larger worship service where this celebration is observed. The services do not need to be "in a church" as such since Sunday morning events, as at Stone Mountain Games, the Grandfather Mt. Games, the Loch Norman Games, and many others, are held outside in the sun and the rain.

I'm sure many persons are much better acquainted with this special event than I, but having now been associated with both the preparation and participation of a number of celebrations, I invite anyone who wishes to receive some written material, or even pictures, to write to me at my address. While an event such as this may not deepen one's spiritual commitment to any particular degree, it has its place in promoting our religious heritage.





Maclan is Gathering the Clan

He's looking forward to seeing you at these events

Some events were not firm on dates or places. Contact the regional commissioner to ensure the planned event will take as shown.

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2-8 International Gathering ++ (Rex attends)

Halifax, NS Canada

4 Wind River Highland Games

Lander City Park Lander, WY

10-13 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

MacRae Meadows

Linville, NC

12 Saline Celtic Festival

Mill Pond Park

Saline, MI

Payson Scottish Festival

Payson City Park

Payson, UT

12-13 Athena Caledonian Games

City Park, Athena, OR

Dunsmuir Scottish Highland Games

Dunsmuir House

Oakland, CA

Skagit Valley Highland Games and Scottish Faire

Edgewater Park

Mt. Vernon, WA

19 Arizona Highland Celtic Festival

Thorp Park

Flagstaff, AZ

Celtic Heritage Festival

Graeme Park, Horsham, PA

Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival

Stanley Park, Western Avenue

Westfield, MA

Maine Tattoo

Fort Knox, Bucksport, ME

Portland Highland Games ++

Mt. Hood Community College

Gresham, OR

25-26 Reno Celtic Celebration

Wingfield Park, Reno, NV

25-27 Virginia Scottish Games

Episcopal High School

Alexandria, VA

26-27 Pacific N.W. Scottish Highland Games

Clan Henderson AGM ++

King County Fairgrounds

Enumclaw, WA

AUGUST

1-2 Glengarry Highland Games

Kenyon Agricultural Grounds

Maxville, ON, Canada

2 Detroit Highland Games

Livonia, MI

2-3 Monterey Highland Games

Toro Park (between Salinas and

Monterey)

Monterey, CA

3 Montreal Highland Games

Verdun, QUE, Canada

7-10 Belfast Anniversary Celebration and Highland Games

Belfast, Prince Edward Island

www.islandregister.com/skye2003.html

8-10 Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games

Fergus, ON, Canada

9 Central NY Scottish Games and Celtic Festival

Long Branch Park

Liverpool, NY

9-10 Colorado Scottish Festival ++

Highland Heritage Park

Highlands Ranch (near Denver), CO

15-16 Dave Cameron Highland Festival

Snow King Ball Field

Jackson Hole, WY

Triad Highland Games ++

Creekside Park

Archdale, NC

15-17 Douglas County Celtic Highland Games

River Bend Park

Winston, OR

18 Amherst Scottish Festival and Highland Games

Amherst Museum

Amherst, NY

Maine Highland Games

Thomas Point Beach

Brunswick, ME

22-24 Towpath Celtic Festival

Clay's Park Canal

Fulton, OH

23 Kalamazoo Scottish Games

Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds

Kalamazoo, MI

Long Island Scottish Games

Old Westbury Gardens

Westbury, NY

Quad Cities Celtic Highland Games

Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds

Davenport, IA

Quechee Scottish Festival

Quechee, VT

23-24 Celtic Festival

Craftsmen Park

Franklin Twp., Akron, OH

29-30 Dakota Celtic Festival and Highland Games

Star of the West Complex

Rapid City, SD

30-31 Capital District Scottish Games ++

Altamont, NY

San Francisco Highland Games

Alameda County Fairgrounds

Pleasanton, CA

SEPTEMBER

5-6 Ligonier Highland Games ++

Idlewild Park

Ligonier, PA

5-7 Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Highland Festival

Estes Park, CO

5-7 Wisconsin Highland Games

Waukesha County Expo Center

Waukesha, WI

6 Appalachian Highland Games and Scottish Festival

Martina Creek School

Murphy, NC

6-7 Green Lane Park Scottish Irish Festival and Highland Games

Green Lane, PA

Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival

Elizabethton, TN

12-14 W. Kentucky Highland Festival

Carson Park

Paducah, KY

13-14 Columbus Scottish Festival

Bartholmew County Fairgrounds

Columbus, IN

Shawnee Mountain Scottish and Irish Music Festival

E. Stroudsburg, PA

Niagra Celtic Heritage Festival

Olcott Beach

Olcott, NY

Whiteface Mountain Scottish Highland Festival

Whiteface Mountain, NY

19-20 Black Hills Highland Festival and Scottish Games

Lamphere Ranch Campground

Sturgis, SD

19-21 New Hampshire Highland Games

Hopkinton State Fairgrounds

near Concord, NH

20 Charleston Scottish Games and Highland Gathering

Boone Hall Plantation

Charleston, SC

Treasure Valley Highland Games

Idaho Botanic Gardens

Boise, ID

- 20-21 **Oklahoma Scottish Games and Gathering**
Tulsa, OK
- 26-28 **Celtic Classic Highland Games and Festival ++**
Bethlehem, PA
- 26-29 **Alabama Highland Games**
Montgomery, AL
- 26-29 **McPherson Scottish Festival**
McPherson, KS
- 27 **Alexandria Scottish Heritage Fair**
Fort Ward Park
Alexandria, VA
- Long Island Celtic Highland Festival and Games**
Patchogue, NY
- Dixon Scottish Games and Gathering**
Dixon, CA
- Williamsburg Scottish Festival**
Williamsburg Winery
Williamsburg, VA
- 27-28 **Cincinnati Celtic Music and Cultural Festival**
Coney Island near Cincinnati, OH

OCTOBER

- 3-5 **Flora Macdonald Highland Games**
Flora Macdonald Campus
Red Springs, NC
- 4 **Connecticut Scottish Festival**
Goshen, CT
- Loch Lomond Highland Games**
Highlands Park
Ben Lomond, CA
- Tallahassee Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Festival**
Sunny Hill Farm
Tallahassee, FL
- Tennessee Highland Games**
Middle TN State University
Murfreesboro, TN
- 5 **New Jersey Scottish Heritage Festival**
PNC Arts Center
Holmdel, NJ
- Tallahassee Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Festival**
Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL
- 11 **Scottish Festival ++**
Anne Arundel, MD
- Radford Highlanders Festival**
Radford, VA
- 11-12 **Seaside Highland Games**
Seaside park
Ventura, CA
- St. Louis Scottish Games and Cultural Festival**
Forest Park
St. Louis, MO
- 12 **Scotland's Highland Festival**
Edward Waldo Homestead
Scotland, CT
- 18 **Scottish Border Games and Gathering**
Fort Smith Park
Fort Smith, AR
- 18-19 **Stone Mountain Highland Games ++**
Stone Mountain, GA
- 5 **Waxhaw Scottish Highland Games and Gathering of the Clans**
Cane Creek Park
Waxhaw, NC

- 25-26 **Richmond Highland Games and Celtic Festival ++**
Richmond, VA
- 31-3 **Foothills Highland Games**
Harmon Field
Tryon, NC

NOVEMBER

- 1 **Celtic New Year Festival and Games**
Amador County Fairground
Plymouth, CA
- Tucson Celtic Festival and Scottish Highland Games**
Rillito Park Raceway
Tucson, AZ
- 8 **Ocala Scottish Games**
Ocala Equestrian Complex
Ocala, FL

- 13-16 **Highland Games of Louisiana Museum Grounds**
Jackson, LA
- 15-16 **Scottish Games and Celtic Music Festival**
Harrison County Fairgrounds
Long Beach, MS
- 22 **Dunedin Celtic Festival**
Highlander Park
Dunedin, FL
- 28-30 **Carolina Scots Celebration**
Southern Pines
Pinehurst, NC

DECEMBER

- 6 **Scottish Christmas Walk ++**
Alexandria, VA
- Scottish Christmas Walk**
Ventura, CA

Attend the games in your area and meet President Rex.

One Clan Member's Search for Hendersons in History



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I have sought some sort of relationship of my Hendersons in each Newsletter and have never found even a 'distant cousin'!!!!!! I imagine the surname was and is a common one in Scotland and Ireland; however, I believe there were some relatives in the Belmont or Noble counties [Ohio] that lured my great greats to this country.

Thomas HENDERSON b. ca 1751 in Scotland, m. 24 May, 1776 in Duddington, Midlothian, Scotland to Janet RANNIE - 5 known children born to them;

1. Mary Henderson b 2 March 1778
2. William Rannie HENDERSON b 28 April 1786 in Duddington, he married 12 October 1826 to Rachel MONTIETH ca 1795 in Scotland and believed moved to Ireland shortly after their marriage.
3. Agnes Henderson b 14 October, 1788
4. Elizabeth Henderson b 28 May 1791
5. Janet Henderson b 6 October 1799

According to the Obit of William Henderson Jr (who was in the Civil War), He came with his parents (William and Rachel) and 3 brothers to Belmont county, Ohio in 1842.

William Jr. b. in Omagh, Tyrone County Ireland on 1 May 1827
John b. ca 1830 in Omagh, Tyrone County Ireland
Samuel b. ca 1832 in Omagh, Tyrone Co., Ireland
James b. ca 1834/35 in Omagh, Tyrone Co., Ireland

It is believed the family later moved to Noble County and my William married a war widow, Susan (Cooper) MORRIS on June 30, 1866. They had 5 daughters and one son, and their daughter, Rachel Henderson was my maternal grandmother.

As Ever,

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Pam and Phillip's Cheese Scones

8 oz. (weight) flour
1 tsp cream of tarter
1/2 tsp baking soda
2 oz. (weight) butter
2-3 oz (weight) grated cheese
salt and pepper
1/2tsp dry mustard
1/4 pt milk (approx)

Sift flour, cream of tartar, and baking soda. Rub in margarine. Add cheese, seasoning and milk to make soft dough. Turn onto a floured board and roll out to 3/4 in. thick. Cut into circles. Glaze with egg or milk and bake on a greased sheet in HOT oven (450 F) for about 10 minutes. After cooling, squirt a cheese spread on the top of each.



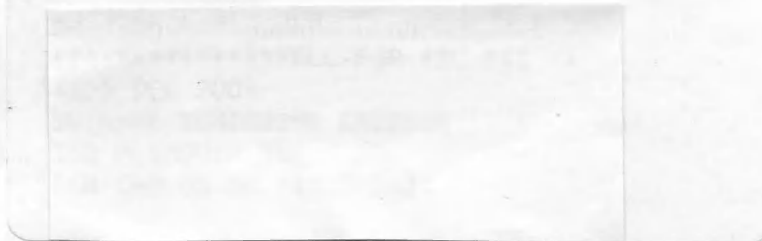
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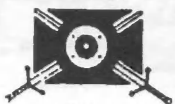
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